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EHB PROPORTIONAL SOLENOID VALVE WITH STEPPED GAP ARMATURE

the specification of which:

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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Patent Office information known by me to be material to the patentability of this invention as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56.

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Prior Foreign Application(s)

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No

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, Section 119(e) of any United States Patent and Trademark Office States provisional application(s) listed below:

60/112, 431

Dec. 16, 1998

60/325,569

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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, Section 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, Section 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Patent Office information known by me to be material to the patentability of this invention as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

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